

Loudoun County EMS Advisory Council, Inc.

July 15, 2003

Minutes

The July 2003, meeting of the Loudoun County EMS Advisory Council, Inc. was held on Tuesday July 15, 2003 at the Loudoun Hospital Center, Cornwall Street Campus in Leesburg, Virginia with the following present:

Co. 1 Present	Co. 9 Present	Co. 17 Present
Co. 2 Absent	Co. 10 Absent	LCFR Present
Co. 3 Excused	Co. 11 Present	LFAS Present
Co. 4 Absent	Co. 12 Present	Lifeline Absent
Co. 5 Absent	Co. 13 Present	Pub. Health Present
Co. 6 Present	Co. 14 Present	LHC Excused
Co. 7 Present	Co. 15 Present	OMD Excused
Co. 8 Present	Co. 16 Present	LCSO Present

Leo C. Kelly, PA, Chairman presided at the meeting and called the meeting to order at 1935 hours.

Public Comments: None

Delegate Comments: Kelly addressed the comments that were raised at the last EMS Council meeting concerning the selection process for the Clark Deener Award for EMS. Each year, members of the total EMS system (volunteer and career) are looked at as potential candidates to receive this esteemed award. The selection committee consists of former Deener recipients who meet and review the candidates and select the individual who has had a positive impact on the County-wide EMS System. Kelly pointed out that while each Company may have excellent members who contribute to their Company and it's operations, the Committee is looking for an individual who has had a positive impact on the total system and contributed to it's excellence. Each year, system members can recommend members of the system to the EMS Council Chair or a recipient of the selection committee (former recipient) for consideration.

Kelly commended the selection committee for their choice of Acting Battalion Chief Linda Hale as this year's 2003 recipient of the Clark Deener award. Kelly stated that Linda has had a positive impact on so many areas of our system that it was a very easy choice. He commended Linda for her roles as an EMT/B Instructor, ALS Instructor, ACLS Instructor, BLS Instructor Trainer, Peer Review Co-Chair and having a very positive impact on EMS operations in the County. Kelly said that he found the amount, of care, time and energy and sincerity into the County EMS system to be unbelievable. He congratulated her on an award that was well deserved.

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Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the June 2003 minutes as presented.

Motion by S. Brendel Seconded by D. Schwartz

Motion: Minutes for the June 2003 be approved as presented.

Vote: Approved

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer, Alice Love is out of town however she provided information on the status of the accounts for the meeting.

Loudoun County Sheriff's Office:

Deputy C. Schleiven was present in place of Bev Tate to address any concerns of the member companies.

Public Health:

There has been some confusion with regard to EMS personnel obtaining the Smallpox vaccination at the Health Department. The delegates were advised that the vaccinations are available, however scheduling must be coordinated thru the Fire-Rescue Department.

Loudoun Hospital Center:

Beth McKinnon will no longer be the hospital representative to the ALS Committee due to a change in her residence outside of Virginia. Beth has offered to assist us when needed to resolve any issues. We were very fortunate to have Beth as a member of the ALS Committee and she will be missed.

The hospital has appointed Wendy Harvel, RN to replace Beth on the ALS Committee. We look forward to working with her and welcome her aboard.

ALS Committee: There has been no meeting since the last EMS Council meeting. The next meeting will be held on July 21, 2003. The results of the EMT/CT to EMT/I Bridge are in and all the participants passed the practical stations. With the exception on one student who is still awaiting their results, all have passed the written.

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BLS Committee: Captain Jose Salazar provided a review of the EMT-B class results for the EMS Council delegates present at the meeting.

NVEMSC: There was no report. The Northern Virginia EMS Council will be moving their offices to the GW Campus in Ashburn, Virginia sometime during the months of July or August 2003.

Rescue Chiefs: Georgia Garner has left the area due to her husband's work reassignment. Kelly stated that the Loudoun County EMS System would surely miss her. We wish her all the best in her new endeavors.

Kelly has asked Kit Fraley, Rescue Chief 9 to replace Georgia as Chair of the Rescue Chief's Committee and Kit has accepted.

Kit reported on the following items from the Rescue Chief's meeting:

1. Rodney Scott has been appointed as the new Rescue Chief at Company 13.
2. Issues were discussed dealing with duty crews at Company 4.
3. Mutual aid to Jefferson County needs to be reviewed.
4. There is an opening for a position in communications with the Department of Fire-Rescue Services.
5. Linda Smith has been promoted from her acting position to a full Battalion Chief.
6. Concerns were raised concerning C-Collars being discarded in the ER.
7. Concerns were also expressed that it does not appear that the Fire-Rescue Commission is seeking input from the Councils or Companies on action items. One concern that was raised was the new definitions for the determination of a scratch.

Peer Review: The Peer Review Committee will meet at their regular times. Call sheets are being turned in on time.

LCFR: There is a critical need for EMS Providers to step up to the plate to become instructors for the large volume of EMS programs being conducted in the County. Please ask you members to consider becoming part of the faculty for these programs.

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Public Education:

The planning and implementation of the project “Save a Life Program” is moving along nicely. Several corporate donations have been received to support the project.

Commission: No report at this time.

Old Business:

The NOVA response manuals will be reviewed and recommendations made to the Commission on EMS issues. The manuals primarily address fire response and positioning of fire apparatus. We will look at areas related to EMS.

We are still awaiting the report and recommendations of the Standards Committee.

New Business:

A letter from Rod Heubers the CEO of Loudoun Hospital Center was read.

They're being no further business; a motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion by S. Brendel Seconded by D. Schwartz

Motion: Adjourn the meeting – 2130 hours.

Vote: Approved

For the Loudoun County EMS Council, Inc.

Leo C. Kelly, PA
Chairman

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